

U. S. Not Popular Abroad, Says Traveler

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of this country could be dragged into war because they knew that we were not very well satisfied with the way the last one turned out. Furthermore, I don't believe that our ambassador to Britain talked nearly as much, nor was as greatly enthused over the prospects of our engaging in a European war, as were the "millionaire playboys" who represented us in some of the other countries.

However, after all of the "quarantine" and "anti-aggression" speeches and miscellaneous conversation that they had been listening to that came either directly or indirectly from this country, even the British felt pretty sure that any wavering on our part could be overcome by a little clever propaganda, and they lost no time in getting started. The ship that I sailed on from England to America late in October was crowded with "British Lords," and others, coming over to make speeches and advise us as to our duty. The rather remarkable thing is that these exotic lecturers seldom addressed groups of ex-service men, farmers, labor unions or business men's clubs, but seemed to concentrate on church groups, college assemblies, women's clubs, and the so-called intellectual gatherings.

For the last two or three years the President has been making dire threats against "dictators," one and all, and at the same time has done little to back up his threats. It has always seemed to me that if you are going to give a man a "cussin'" that you had better be prepared to fight him. But he hasn't done this. With all of his loud talk, he has been carrying a "sling shot" around to back it up. Furthermore, it is doubtful if "methods short of war" will, in the end, affect the inevitable outcome, one way or the other. The Allies do not need loans because they already have many times more money and resources than do their opponents. The clever efforts of Britain to secure a loan in this country is not because she needs the money, but because it will be the means of drawing the United States one step nearer into active war. It is even doubtful whether large quantities of mechanized equipment would be of much value at this late date because it takes men weeks and even months to learn how to operate such intricate weapons. The French, as a race, are more or less a peasant people and don't understand machinery anyway.

So, after all is said and done, what these people expected to see was "clouds of American aeroplanes" with Americans flying them. And on top of that, they expected to see long columns of mechanized equipment with Americans driving it. Now, then, if these countries are forced to make peace on German terms they are going to feel very bitter towards the United States. Some of them, at least, are going to tell us that they could have reached a peaceful settlement, without much loss, with the Germans, but because of our encouragement and in the belief that they could expect help from us, they accepted war instead.

Germany, and the other totalitarian powers, on the other hand, are naturally going to feel hostile towards us because of the aid that we did give their opponents. While it may not have been sufficient to affect the final outcome of the conflict, it has nevertheless been sufficient to prolong the conflict and has without question resulted in the additional loss of several thousands of their soldiers. So what this "method short of war" policy has really resulted in is the solution of nothing, and at the same time we have made enemies of both sides. The Germans, because we helped the Allies, and the Allies, because we didn't help them enough.

(Second installment next week)

Lt. Marius P. Hanford left Monday evening for Blackfoot, Idaho, to join his family for a vacation of a few days. He will return to Heppner Sunday, accompanied by Mrs. Hanford and the children.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Turner were Portland visitors Sunday, returning to Heppner Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Cason are the parents of a seven-pound daughter born at the Heppner hospital Monday. She has been named Anita Louise.

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